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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

SCHMIDT et al.

Application No.: 08/836,369

Filed: October 20, 1997

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME TO RESPOND**

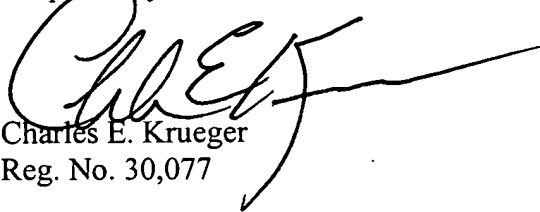
Assistant Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
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Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 19, 2000 for three months, from April 19, 2000 to July 19, 2000. An appropriate response in the form of a Notice of Appeal is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$870.00, any additional fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1430 of the undersigned. This notice is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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